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Following media guidance sent today:

1. PRESIDENT'S SPEECH: President's speech on Cambodia provides our guideline for output which reflects following major points:

a. His decision to authorize US-SVN military action was taken to save American and allied lives imperiled by communist occupation of Eastern Cambodia.

b. Military action relates directly to Viet-Nam war.

c. Allied forces do not intend prolonged stay.

- i) Mission is to destroy enemy communications and bases built up over last five years, and then to get out.
- ii) These NVA-VC sanctuaries which have not been under Cambodian government control during this five-year period are sole objective and are no longer privileged.
- iii) Important that military action be taken before rainy season.

In our output, there should be no nuance of apology or hesitation on part of the USG. Output should characterize decisions and

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